

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF BIG RIVERS	)	
ELECTRIC CORPORATION FOR A	)	
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE	)	
AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING THE	)	CASE NO.
CONVERSION OF THE GREEN STATION	)	2021-00079
UNITS TO NATURAL GAS-FIRED UNITS AND	)	
AN ORDER APPROVING THE	)	
ESTABLISHMENT OF A REGULATORY	)	
ASSET	)	

ORDER

On May 10, 2021, Big Rivers Electric Corporation (BREC), the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through the Office of Rate Intervention (Attorney General), and Kentucky Industrial Utility Customers, Inc. (KIUC), filed joint recommendations and a joint motion for the Commission to cancel the hearing scheduled on May 25–26, 2021, and instead submit this matter for a decision based on the written record. The Attorney General and KIUC are the only intervenors in this proceeding.

In the motion, BREC, Attorney General, and KIUC recommended that the Commission grant BREC’s request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (CPCN) to convert the Robert D. Green generating station (Green Station) from coal-fired to natural-gas fired units; authorize the depreciation of Green Station gas conversion assets over seven years; and authorize BREC to establish a regulatory asset to defer Green Station coal-related retirement costs, which will be included in the list of “Smelter Loss Mitigation Regulatory Assets” that the Commission previously authorized BREC to

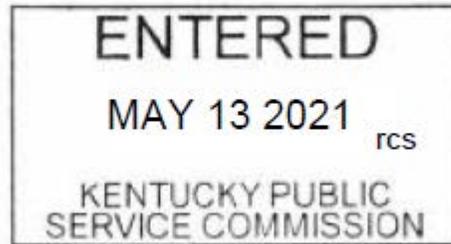
amortize over the remaining term of the all-requirements contracts with BREC's Members, through December 31, 2043.

Because the case record, which includes three rounds of discovery, is robust and the parties are in agreement on the issues to be decided in this matter, the Commission concludes that the hearing previously scheduled for May 25–26, 2021, is not necessary and that the Commission can issue its final Order in this matter based on the existing record. For this reason, the Commission finds that BREC, Attorney General, and KIUC established good cause to cancel the previously scheduled hearing and that the Commission should take the case under submission.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. BREC, Attorney General, and KIUC's joint motion to cancel the hearing and submit this matter for a decision on the written record is granted.
2. The formal hearing previously scheduled for May 25–26, 2021, is canceled.
3. The Commission takes this case under submission for a determination on the written record.

By the Commission



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